Livingstone Parish Church Sunday 24th January 2021 The Right Rev Dr Martin Fair & the Rev Dr John McCulloch

Hymn 1 CH4 198

Let us build a house where love can dwell

and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive;
built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
All are welcome,
all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew.

Here the cross shall stand as witness and a symbol of God's grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: All are welcome...

Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat: a banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet.

Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space, as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:

All are welcome...

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger:

All are welcome...

Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: All are welcome...

Marty Haugen (b. 1950)

Hymn 2 CH4 722

Spirit of God, come dwell within me.

Open my heart, oh, come set me free. Fill me with love for Jesus, my Lord, come, fill me with living water. Jesus is living, Jesus is here. Jesus, my Lord, come closer to me: Jesus, our Saviour, dying for me, and rising to save his people.

Lord, how I thirst, my Lord, I am weak. Lord, come to me, you alone do I seek. Lord, you are life and love and hope, come, fill me with living water. Jesus is living...

Lord, I am blind, my Lord, I can't see. Stretch out your hand, bring comfort to me.

Lead me your way in light and in truth, come, fill me with living water.

Jesus is living...

Helen Kennedy or Margaret McFarlane

CH4 739

Hymn 3

The Church's one foundation

is Jesus Christ her Lord:
she is his new creation
by water and the word;
from heaven he came and sought her
to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

Called forth from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth. One holy name she blesses, and shares one holy food, as to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

In toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace forevermore, till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth has union with God the Three in One, and mystical communion with those whose rest is won. O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

*Samuel John Stone (1839-1900)

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